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Political

Dec. 1 @ 6 p.m.	Voters turned down a proposal to increase the city's property tax.
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Dec. 1 @ 6 p.m. Judge hears arguments from ACLU after it filed a lawsuit saying conditions at Faulkner County jail are inhumane to inmates

Dec. 6 @ 5 p.m. Voters in Maumelle will decide on a bond issue tomorrow.

Dec. 13 @ 10 p.m. Lawmakers at the State Capitol are working on a bill that would require all new buildings using state money to be environmentally friendly.

Education

Nov. 29 @ 5 p.m. Lawmakers learn about a report that shows how much it will cost the state to repair public school buildings

Dec. 3 @ 6 p.m. Reports of school facilities are now on-line for parents to see.

Dec. 10 @ 6 p.m. Mitchell Academy might have to shut its doors. It needs more money to eliminate mold and the city of Little Rock can't give it to them.

Crime Prevention

Dec. 1 @ 5 p.m. ACLU files lawsuit against Faulkner County jail for what it calls unsafe living conditions in the jail cells.

Nov. 30 @ 6 p.m. National study says reported incidents of school violence is down, and credit goes to programs that keep kids in school, instead of out on the street with guns

Health Services and Medical Care

Oct. 15 @ 5 p.m.	The FDA requires anti-depressant makers to put the strictest of
	warning labels on bottles.

Oct. 18 @ 5 p.m. The Red Cross needs people to donate blood.

Nov. 29 @ 5 p.m. A local pharmacy gets 5,000 doses of flu mist.

Nov. 30 @ 5 p.m. Arkansas Children's Hospital study finds soy formula helps a baby's body process medication better than milk formula.

Dec. 17 @ 10 p.m. Painkiller Celebrex may lead to increased risk of heart problems.

Dec. 20 @ 10 p.m. FDA issues a warning about another pain killer, Naproxen.

Consumer

Oct. 5 @ 6 p.m.	The Pulaski County Quorum Court is considering asking voters to
	approve a tax to add 250 beds to the jail.

Oct. 7 @ 6 p.m. Long-time supporters of UCA donated \$1.2 million for a fountain and scholarships.

Oct. 7 @ 6 p.m. The Women & Children First Shelter is collecting old cell phones to raise money for the shelter.

Nov. 29 @ 5 p.m. Thousands of people visited Clinton Library over Thanksgiving weekend thanks to free admission.

Dec. 1 @ 5 p.m. Heber Springs plant is closing and laying off more than 500 workers: A huge blow to the already low-employment community.

Dec. 1 at 5 p.m. Dorcas House, a battered women's shelter, gets toys from Today Show toy drive.

Dec. 3 @ 6 p.m. The city of Hot Springs gets a grant to restore business area.

Dec. 8 @ 5 p.m. The City of Little Rock is being sued by some Local 994 employees, who say they didn't get their 2% raise.

Dec. 8 @ 5 p.m. Little Rock's city budget gets the city out of a deficit

Dec. 9 @ 6 p.m. The Highway Dept. announced plans to widen Hwy. 67-167 to six lanes.

Dec. 23 @ 10 p.m. Roads on Interstate 40 are impassible.

Dec. 24 @ 10 p.m. Roads continue to be a problem around much of the state, but there is a phone number you can call to get information on the worst areas.